

**MASTER PLAN COMMITTEE
VILLAGE PLANNING FORUM
NOVEMBER 3, 2005
7:30 PM
HALE MIDDLE SCHOOL**

The Town of Stow was recently awarded a Priority Development Fund Grant to develop Village Overlay Districts. A Village Overlay District would promote a range of compatible land uses, including various types of single-family and multi-family dwellings; commercial and office uses focused on a local, not a regional market; and common open space. A village overlay district would allow development and redevelopment that departs from the conventional zoning regulations, providing for a mixture of uses concerning use of land or buildings, lot size, density, bulk or type of structures, lot coverage, or other requirements. Lower Village and Gleasondale are prime candidates for Village Overlay Districts.

***HELP SHAPE STOW'S VILLAGES
YOUR OPINION COUNTS!***

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IS IMPORTANT IN SHAPING THE FUTURE
OF STOW'S VILLAGES. WE URGE YOU TO TAKE PART IN A VISUAL
PREFERENCE SURVEY ON NOVEMBER 3, 2005.**

- *Should Stow adjust its zoning to provide for a mixture of uses in Lower Village and Gleasondale?*
- *Should Stow adopt Smart Growth Principals?*
- *At what density?*
- *What type of Design Standards?*
- *Should we encourage a walkable community?*
- *Should we promote re-use of the Gleasondale Mill?*

Lower Village – Shopping Center



Gleasondale Village



AGENDA

7:30 Donna Jacobs, Master Plan Committee Chair

- Introduction to the Village Planning Project
 - What Village Planning is About
 - Project Timeline & Milestones

7:40 Mark Raccicot and Judy Alland, MAPC

- Overview of Gleasondale & Lower Village
- About the Visual Preference Survey
 - What It Is
 - How It Will Work
 - How the Input Will be Used

Q&A

8:00 Survey Part 1: Broad-brush Preferences

8:30 Survey Part 2: The Devil is in the Details

9:25 Feedback on the Process & Next Steps

9:30 Adjourn

Gleasondale Mill



Lower Village - Great Road at Pompositticut Street

